

Big Bend National Park



Daily Report – Friday, September 04, 2015

Weather Forecast :

Today Mostly sunny with winds from the east at 10-20 mph. Mountain highs will be in the lower 80s, river highs around 102.

Tonight Partly cloudy with winds from the southeast at 10-15 mph. Lows will be in the lower 70s.

Tomorrow Sunny with winds from the southeast at 10-15 mph. Mountain highs will be in the upper 70s, river highs around 101. Overnight lows will be in the lower 70s.

Extended Sun - Thurs: Sunny to partly cloudy with a slight chance of thunderstorms after Tuesday.
Highs: lower 80s - around 101 Lows: lower 70s - upper 70s.

Sunset tonight: 8:11 p.m. Sunrise tomorrow: 7:32 a.m.

Fire Danger

In the Chisos Mountains: Moderate

Panther Junction/Foothills: Moderate

Temperatures and Precipitation

	Temperatures – Last 24 hours				Precipitation		
	Elevation	High	Low	8 AM	24 Hours	Month	Year
Panther Junction	3750'	91	69	72	0.00	0.00	12.68
Chisos Basin	5400'	86	63	64	0.00	0.00	14.24
Rio Grande Village	1850'	106	65	70	0.00	0.00	9.35
Castolon	2170'	NR	NR	NR	0.00	0.00	8.49
Persimmon Gap	2970'	98	74	77	0.00	0.00	7.33
Lajitas	2340'	103	72	74	0.00	0.00	9.06

River Levels

	Flood Stage	Today	Yesterday
Presidio International Bridge	15.50	3.82 ft / 61 cfs	3.75 ft / 50 cfs
Castolon	15.50	2.49 ft / 131 cfs	2.47 ft / 128 cfs
Johnson Ranch	15.50	4.26 ft / 46 cfs	4.28 ft / 49 cfs
Rio Grande Village	13.00	3.09 ft / 160 cfs	3.08 ft / 155 cfs
Dryden Crossing	59.00	4.36 ft / 213 cfs	4.41 ft / 224 cfs

Current Park Conditions:

Summer Closures: Castolon & Rio Grande Village visitor centers are closed. Cottonwood Campground, some of the Rio Grande Village Campground and all campsites along the Old Maverick Road are closed. The Chisos Basin Campground and some of the Rio Grande Village Campground, including the RV Park, are open.

Dangerous Heat: The heat indexes over the next few days will reach 102 degrees in the shade and 117 degrees in the sun. Exercise extreme caution. Sunstroke, heat cramps and heat exhaustion are likely when exposure to the sun and physical activity are prolonged; heat stroke is possible.

Heat Safety Tip: Avoid strenuous activity midday, wear light weight light colored protective clothing, a hat and sunscreen, drink a gallon of water per day and take frequent breaks in the shade to cool down.

Water Shortage: Extreme water shortage continues throughout the park. Visitors are limited to 5 gallons per day and are encouraged to conserve further when possible.

All information posted as of 9:00 am this morning; subject to change without notice.